

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Unincorporated Communities (AS 37.05.317)****Grant Recipient: Tatitlek****Project Title:****Tatitlek - Landing Craft Acquisition & Operation Project****State Funding Requested: \$ 200,000****House District: 5 - C**

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

Purchase a suitable landing craft vessel to assist the community in transporation of grocery, fuel and other services.

Funding Plan:**Total Cost of Project: \$220,000**

	<u>Funding Secured</u>		<u>Other Pending Requests</u>		<u>Anticipated Future Need</u>	
	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>
Local Funds	\$15,000					
Other			\$5,000			
Total	\$15,000		\$5,000			

*Explanation of Other Funds:**Chugach Alaska Corporations Small Business Assistance Program.***Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

The downturn of Alaska's Commercial Fishing Industry has had a profound effect on the fishing and subsistence based economy of the Native Village of Tatitlek. Currently, the per capita annual income is a mere \$13,015; with 24.2% of the population living below the poverty line. An ever increasing cost of living is compounded by the fact that most residents no longer own commercial fishing vessels, or other means of transportation to grocery, fuel, or other services. In addition, the Tatitlek IRA Council pays an ever increasing premium on petroleum products, as they are delivered by private, commercial landing craft operators. In order for Tatitlek to remain a viable economical community into the future, it is imperative that residents gain access to affordable and dependable means of transportation.

The Tatitlek IRA Council will fully administer and maintain the Tatitlek Landing Craft Acquisition & Operation Project. Will develop business plan, schedules, fees, policies & procedures, safety guidelines. Will advertise and recruit a licensed Captain and Crew. Will take responsibility in acquiring logistical support including: insurance, marina slip etc. Will complete Coast Guard Courtesy & Safety Inspection.

Project Timeline:

Identify suitable landing craft vessel June 2008. Program complete and initial charter November 2008.

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

Tatitlek Village IRA Council

Grant Recipient Contact Information:

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? ☒ Yes ☐ No



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**Capital Improvement Project for the Native Village of Tatitlek
Tatitlek Landing Craft Acquisition & Operation Project**

1.14.08

Justification and Level of Need Paragraph:

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Support or Comments from IRA Council:

The Tatitlek IRA Council fully endorses and supports the Tatitlek Landing Craft Acquisition & Operation Project. Support is currently documented through signature of authorized representative. Once the Tatitlek Landing Craft Acquisition & Operation Project is approved, support will be documented through tribal resolution.

Documentation & Identification of Local Matching Funds:

The Tatitlek IRA Council anticipates an estimated total project cost of \$220,000. Out of this total, \$200,000 will be utilized in the purchase of a suitable landing craft vessel and \$20,000 will be utilized in



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establishment of business operations and procurement of direct expense items such as: storage slip, operating insurance and direct payroll. *> took out 20,000.00 not a CVR*

The Tatitlek IRA Council expects to meet 10% of total project cost, of which, 5% will be in-kind donation through project administration and another 5% will be met in available funding or volunteer labor. The Tatitlek IRA will attach documentation of available funds, to be used as local match.

Project Administration/Maintenance Plan:

The Tatitlek Landing Craft Acquisition & Operation plan will be fully administered and maintained by the Tatitlek IRA Council. The Tatitlek IRA Council currently administers project and grant funding secured from a number of sources, including: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Administration for Native Americans, US Environmental Protection Agency, and others.

Documentation of other Funding Sources Solicited/Secured:

The Tatitlek IRA Council anticipates the completion of a competitive application to the Chugach Alaska Corporations Small Business Assistance Program. The program provides funding, up to \$5,000, and assistance in the preparation of business plans or other relevant documents. Participation in the program will be documented following release of the 2008 application.

Detailed Outline of Project with Timeliness:

The following outline details the milestones and timeline of the Tatitlek Landing Craft Acquisition & Operation Project:

<u>Milestone</u>	<u>Completion Date</u>
Identification of Suitable Landing Craft Vessel	June 2008
Development of Business Plan, Schedules, and Fees	July 2008
Development of Policies & Procedures and Safety Guidelines	July 2008
Advertising and Recruitment of Licensed Captain/Crew	August 2008
Acquisition of Logistical Support including: insurance, marina slip, etc.	August 2008
Final Acquisition of Suitable Landing Craft Vessel	September 2008
Hiring of Licensed Captain/Crew	September 2008
Completion of Coast Guard Courtesy & Safety Inspection	October 2008
Initial Charter and Community Service	November 2008



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Community Profile:

Tatitlek is located on the northeast shore of Tatitlek Narrows, on the Alaska Mainland in Prince William Sound. It encompasses 7.3 sq. miles of land and is home to an estimated population of 117 individuals. Winter temperatures range from 17 to 28, summers average 49 to 59, and annual precipitation includes 28 inches of rain, along with 150 inches of snowfall.

Tatitlek is a coastal Alutiq village with fishing and subsistence based culture. Local construction and oyster farming provide some employment in Tatitlek, however, subsistence activities provide the majority of food items.

A piped water and sewer system serves all 34 homes, while the piped community septic system discharges via an ocean outfall. Tatitlek has a State-owned 3,700 foot by 150 foot wide, lighted, gravel airstrip and a seaplane landing area. Boats and bush charter airlines remain the primary means of local transportation.

Closing:

The Native Village of Tatitlek greatly appreciates the opportunity to submit this capital improvement proposal. We are confident that this will ensure the long term economic viability of the village, in addition to significantly improving the quality of life of Tatitlek residents. We look forward to your correspondence and our collaboration in the Tatitlek Landing Craft Acquisition & Operation Project.



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Signature

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